

**BLUERIDGE PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING – MINUTES
Wednesday November 30th, 2016**

ATTENDANCE: Ralph Stringer, Nicole Dent, Margaret Chesko, Janet Stringer, Kris McLean-Rohani, Jennifer Dickson, Karina Wood, Georgina O’Flynn, Cyndie Gilley, Sanaz Kashani, Cheryl Sauve, Kathy Kee and Erin Primas.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: 7:38

AGENDA:

- Approved with additions (moved by Nicole and seconded by Kris).

FINANCE REPORT:

- Highlights of the budget thus far:
 - Income:
 - The BBQ brought in a \$2204.54 profit.
 - Card Project:
 - \$1218.50
 - Lower than last year. We may want to shift the time of year or alternate years.
 - Popcorn Sales: \$451.00 in November 2016.
 - Expenses:
 - Bus Trips – 1 so far and more coming.
 - Intermediate Team have spent their allotment.
 - Salema Noon was lower than expected (892.50) because she was only here for one day.
 - Mathletics: Mrs. Long’s Division 8 class will be signing up for Mathletics. This money will come out of primary funds and will be covered by the surplus left from Salema Noon.
 - Budget is looking good.
 - Cyndie Gilley will be coming on as Treasurer next school year and is working with Nicole now.

UPDATES:

OLD BUSINESS:

- Hot Lunch:
 - Janet is looking for a new person to come on board in an administrative position to learn how the program is run. Ideally that person will start in the spring and work with Janet through the next 12 months and take over in January 2018. Two people would also be welcome.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Blueridge Gear:
 - Jennifer Bigwood is in the process of taking orders.
- Fundraisers:
 - Card Project:
 - Made \$1218.50.
 - Directory:
 - Still \$200 in sales outstanding.

- Cookies and Pies:
 - Orders are organized and ready to go home tomorrow.
- Family Movie Night:
 - All organized.
 - Ralph will pick up movie.
 - There has been a lot of pizza ordered.
- Deep Cove Brew and Eatery:
 - Lisa Merrett will be selling gift certificates. We receive 20% of sales. The gift certificates will be available soon and will be sold at the Movie Night.
- Tree Chipping:
 - Organized for December 31st between 10am and 4 pm at the school.
- Yearbooks:
 - Going well, business as usual.
 - Looking forward to taking photos at the concert and Santa Mall.
- Eco Kids Club:
 - Wrapped up until February.
 - Karina will update the notice board in the hall.
- Correspondence:
 - There has been an email requesting a teacher sponsored safety patrol for crosswalks.
 - We used to have a similar system but were unable to find parents to help organize.
 - Ralph will forward the email to Kathy.
- Jerseys:
 - Basketball and Cross Country are over for the year.
 - The girls have returned all of the jerseys and had their team photos taken.
 - The boys have not returned all of the jerseys and so their team photos were taken without the jerseys.
 - Volleyball will start in January.
- Smart Board:
 - The Smart Board in Mrs. Sedola's class no longer works.
 - It will cost \$2815.36 to have a new projector and control panel assembly installed.
 - The school has tested a new system which does not use the same technology (Mimeo). It is less expensive at \$1200 but does not perform the same way.
 - Kathy should go ahead with purchasing the replacement parts for the Smart Board.
- Grade 7 Activities:
 - The grade 7 classes are taking part in 4 activities: The UBC High Rope Course, Animating History at the Vancouver Museum, an overnight camp at Camp Jubilee and the Indoor Beach in Richmond.
 - The activities will be paid for with Grade 7 run fundraisers such as the Subway lunches.

FAMILY OF SCHOOLS:

- Lynnmour:
 - Running a bottle drive.
 - Holding a Santa Breakfast on December 14th.
- Dorothy Lynas:
 - Have started a chess club at lunch and it is very popular.
 - Have been running an allergy friendly food drive/competition.
 - Are giving \$20,000 to the divisions to use as field trip subsidies.
- Windsor:

- Will have a presentation on Dyslexia on March 2nd for anyone interested. Parents and children welcome.
- Will have a presentation on May 15th with Dr. Burr on the topic of Stress and Anxiety. There will be a \$5 charge per family.
- Terry Small will present Better Brains on January 10th.
- Last week Britney Palmer presented a talk on how to access scholarships.
- Windsor will hold a Cabaret Night in May.
- Are using an online sign up for parent-teacher interviews.

PRINCIPAL/VP REPORT:

1. Report Cards

- Reports will be published on Friday December 9th
- At this time parents may be able to see grades or comments as teachers work in the program • We will not be printing for parents so you will need to print and save reports
- This is a cumulative report card where the format will be used for 1 year
- As always, throughout the year keep in touch with your child's teacher

2. Extra-curricular

- Choir is preparing for concerts under the tutelage of Mrs. Denny and Mrs. Bates
- Thursday December 8 – ICBC (closed performance) – Gr. 6/7 only
- Friday December 9 – ESC and Park Royal South Centre Court @
- Grade 6/7s are starting volleyball team program in January

3. Christmas Concert

- Tuesday Dec. 6, 2016 – all students K-7 are involved
- Selling tickets via Centennial Theatre, no office sales through the school office
- Grades 1-7 are participating in the dress rehearsal on Tuesday December 6 at the Centennial Theatre • Ticket sales are now open

4. Santa Mall

- Gr. 7s are hosting the annual Santa Mall on Wednesday December 14th. If you have items you'd like to donate, please begin bringing them to the Intermediate area outside Mr. Wyatt and Mrs. Bates' classrooms. We are also taking donations of gift wrap and in good condition gift bags.

5. Upcoming:

- Book Fair – Monday November 28 -Thursday December 1, Family night Wednesday November 30
- Santa Mall – Wednesday December 14, 2016 during school time
- Band Concert – Wednesday December 14, 2016 @ 7PM Windsor. Three schools combined.

6. Food Access Program

- The school district is supporting a Food Access program in all schools in North Vancouver. Each week our staff will order food that will be available to students if they indicate that they are hungry. This will include fruit, and foods suggested by the program.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:45 (motion by Kris, Georgina seconded)

NEXT BPAC GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, January 25th at 7:30PM